

HEADQUARTERS
416TH BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)
Office of the Commanding Officer

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TO: Commanding General, Ninth Air Force (Rear), APO 696, U. S. Army.
Attn: 26th Statistical Control.

From: 416th Bombardment Group (L), APO 140, U.S. Army.

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Ref: Oprep A No. 147a for 24 hrs. ending midnight 26 August 1944
Mission or Operation No. 131
97th C.W. F.O. # 193-513

A. Short Narrative of Operation:

Target Rouen Ferrying Area
Place of take-off AAF Station 170
Place of landing AAF Station 170 (1 A/C landed in Normandy)
Take-off time 1712 Landing time 2034
Time over target 1859 Bombing altitude 12,000
Nature of mission Bombing Other None
Weather 1/10 - 2/10 at target tons 8,000 feet - clouds covered target.
Results Unobserved, no attack, no attack, no attack, no attack, no attack.
Enemy opposition Moderate to intense heavy accurate.

B. Type & model of aircraft:

1. Dispatched 29 A-20G's
10 A-20J's

2. Attacking target (indicate target) or completing mission.
6 A-20G's Rouen Ferrying Areas
2 A-20J's " " "

3. Abortive due to:
(1) Weather: 21 A-20G's
9 A-20J's
(2) Personnel: None
(3) Mechanical: 1 A-20G - no bombs released - bomb door safety switch failed to close when bomb door cylinder relieved pressure on bomb door safety switch operating arm. Faulty leaf spring in micro switch.
(4) Other: None

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4. Missing (i.e. cause and place unknown) None

5. Destroyed - before reaching target None
giving cause where known

6. Destroyed - over or after leaving None
target giving cause where known

7. Damaged (give category & cause) 5 - A-20G's Cat. A - Flek
1 - A-20G Cat. E - Flek
4 - A-20J's Cat. A - Flek

8. Sorties 29 A-20G's
10 A-20J's

D. Total operational flying hours

a. Day (Sunrise to sunset) A-20G's - 97:30
A-20J's - 33:00

b. Night (Sunset to sunrise) None

E. Ammunition by calibres:

a. Total carried into air A-20G's - 91350 x .50 cal. A-20J's - 21000 x .50 cal.
 b. Expended on operations A-20G's - 696 x .50 cal. A-20J's - 240 x .50 cal.
 c. Lost on wrecked or missing a/c None

F. Bombs, flares, etc. used:

a. Total carried into air: A-20G's - 108 x 500 M-26 Frags fused for separation
10 seconds after release
A-20J's - 36 x 500 " " " " " "

b. Expended on operations: A-20G's - 16 x 500 M-26 Frags
 (List targets separately) A-20J's - 4 x 500 M-26 Frags

c. Jettisoned A-20G - 2

d. Lost or wrecked on missing a/c None

e. Total Returned A-20G's - 90 x 500 M-26 Frags
A-20J's - 32 x 500 M-26 Frags

G. Own Personnel Casualties:

Type of Casualty	Pilot	Co-pilot	N.v	Bomb	R.Gun	E.Gun	T.Gun
Killed in Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Missing in Action	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seriously Wounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Slightly Wounded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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H. Enemy aircraft by type or description (tentative claims):-

a. Destroyed None

b. Prob. Des None

c. Damaged None

For the Commanding Officer:

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 Capt in, Air Corps,
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